

To: Prospective Offerors

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Subject: Questions & Answers #2 for Solicitation No. 19BH2021Q0001 for Cooking and Food Prep

Q.1) What are a DUNS and SAM registration?

Ans: “Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number” means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities. Registered in SAM database means that the Contractor has entered all mandatory information, including the DUNS number as well as data required by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (See Subpart 4.14) into SAM database. “System for Award Management (SAM)” means the primary Government repository for prospective federal awardee information and the centralized Government system for certain contracting, grants and other assistance related processes.

All contractors have to be registered in the SAM (System for Award Management) Database <https://www.sam.gov> prior to contract award pursuant to FAR provision 52.204-7. Therefore, prospective offerors are encouraged to register prior to the submittal of quotations/proposals. The guidelines for registration in SAM are also available at: https://www.fsd.gov/fsd-gov/learning-center-system.do?sysparm_system=SAM

Q.2) The DBA insurance quote...that must come from the US?

Ans: For DBA insurance quote, please refer to Section 3 – Evaluation Factors, for the list of approved providers. Further, DBA is discussed in FAR Clause 52.228-3 that is included in the solicitation.

Q.3) Is the DBA insurance the same as the bodily injury and property damage insurance required as outlined in the document?

Ans: No, DBA Insurance and Property/Injury insurance are not the same. The DBA is an extension of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA) which provides disability compensation and medical benefits to employees and death benefits to eligible survivors of employees of U.S. government contractors who perform work overseas.

“The DBA covers the following employment activities:

Work on public work contracts with any U.S. government agency, including construction and service contracts in connection with national defense or with war activities outside the United States.

ALL employees engaged in such employment, regardless of nationality including U.S. citizens and residents, host country nationals and local hires as well as third country nationals (individuals hired from another country to work in the host country), are covered under the Act.”

